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Ms. Rita Bates
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New Mexico Environment Department
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Dear Ms. Bates:

This letter responds to the New Mexico Environment Department's (NMED) April 1, 2013, to December 31, 2013, Exceptional Events Demonstrations regarding exceedances of the particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in diameter (PM₁₀) National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS).

As we discussed on December 13, 2017, due to the passage of time the subject 2013 exceedances do not have regulatory significance and therefore the demonstrations will not undergo further review. We consider the review process for the subject demonstrations to be closed without need of further action.

We appreciate the work and effort of NMED to develop the exceptional events demonstrations. If you have any questions, please contact me at (214) 665-2172, or contact Dorothy Crawford of my staff at (214) 665-2771.

Sincerely yours,

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Frances Verhalen, P.E., Chief

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